

PATENT 016295.1595

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 5, 2006

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In response to the Office Action mailed May 5, 2006, Applicants submit this response and respectfully request reconsideration of the Examiner's objections and rejections.

Petition for Extension of Time

Applicants petition for a two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 up to and including October 5, 2006. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$450.00 for the fee associated with the extension of time. Applicants hereby authorize and instruct the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to charge Deposit Account No. 02-0383 (matter 016295.1595) for any additional charges necessary for the filing of this response.